Amendments to the Claims:

1-4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously Presented) A glass forming tube about which newly formed and coated glass fiber is wound to form a cake of glass fiber, the forming tube comprising:

a plurality of paperboard plies spirally wound one upon another about an axis of the forming tube and adhered together to form a tubular body wall, the paperboard plies being free of silicone coating, wherein at least an outermost one of the plies comprises paperboard treated with a sizing compound so as to render the paperboard substantially impervious to liquid coating composition applied to the glass fiber but pervious to vapors generated during curing and drying of a cake of glass fiber.

6-16. (Canceled)